

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON VOLUNTARY FOREIGN AID

PUBLIC MEETING

Wednesday, May 25, 2005 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM The National Press Club 529 14th Street, NW, 13th Floor, Washington, DC

You are cordially invited to attend the next Advisory Committee on Voluntary Foreign Aid (ACVFA) public meeting. The meeting is free and open to the public.

MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

Democracy and Freedom Keynote: Administrator Andrew Natsios will discuss democratic governance and civil society.

Education Strategy Rollout: James Smith, Acting Assistant Administrator for USAID's Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade will present the agency's new education strategy, followed by a panel discussion with Stephen Moseley, President of the Academy for Educational Development and John Grayzel, Director of the Office of Education in USAID's Bureau for Economic Growth, Agriculture and Trade.

Afternoon Breakout Sessions: Following lunch, participants will be invited to attend concurrent panel sessions on either USAID's Arab and Muslim outreach strategy or tsunami relief and reconstruction. Panelists include Samah Alrayyes with USAID's Bureau for Legislative and Public Affairs, Nancy Aossey, President and CEO of International Medical Corps, Ken Isaacs, Director of USAID's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, Iqbal Noor Ali, CEO of the Aga Khan Foundation USA, Michael Nyenhuis, President of MAP International, Ann Phillips with USAID's Bureau for Policy and Program Coordination and Mark Ward, Deputy Assistant Administrator for USAID's Bureau for Asia and the Near East. Following the panel sessions, participants will reconvene for recommendations and a final wrap-up.

PRE-REGISTER, FIND MORE DETAILS ABOUT THE AGENDA, AND JOIN THE ACVFA LIST SERVE at www.usaid.gov/about usaid/acvfa

Participants will be able to register on site; however, pre-registration is strongly encouraged. For more information, please contact Barbara Underwood at barbara@websterconsulting.com or 202-237-0090 ext. 10, or Jocelyn Rowe at jrowe@usaid.gov.

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